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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

TANAKA ET AL.

Examiner

Boris L. Chervinsky

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 November 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 12-19 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1-7, 10 and 11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 8 and 9 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 18 November 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-3, 5-7, 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Patel et al.

Patel discloses an apparatus comprising: an electronic component that generates heat (not shown); a body 12, 14 that encloses the electronic component, and has a bottom panel 20; a heat receiving portion 22 thermally connected to the electronic component; a heat radiating portion 24 that radiates the heat received by the heat receiving portion, the heat radiating portion 24 forming a part of the bottom panel 20; and a liquid cooling path 30 inside which liquid coolant is circulated, the liquid cooling path being thermally coupled to the heat receiving portion 22 and the heat radiating portion 24; the heat radiating portion includes an air channel thereon (col. 3, lines 62-67; col. 4, lines 1-5); a fan 26 arranged in the bottom panel moves air over the air channel; the fan is adapted to draw from the surrounding ambient airspace or from the interior of the body or simultaneously from the surrounding ambient airspace and the interior of the body.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

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(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 4, 10 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Patel et al. in view of Tomonori JP 2002-344186.

Patel discloses the claimed invention except the corrugated exterior surface and the pump. Tomonori discloses the electronic device housing having the corrugated exterior surface. It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to have the corrugated exterior surface as disclosed by Tomonori in the structure disclosed by Patel et al. to provide more surface for efficient cooling. Using the pump for the cooling liquid circulation is well known in the industry therefore it would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to have cooling liquid circulated by the pump instead of the heat pipe and arrange the pump outside of the heat receiving portion as disclosed in several prior art references listed in the attached US PTO 892 Form which are not applied at this time.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 8, 9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 12-19 are allowed.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Boris L. Chervinsky whose telephone number is 571-272-2039. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lynn D. Feild can be reached on 571-272-2800 ext. 35. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER



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